

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MINUTES 3-16-09

Draft minutes of the Environmental Quality Affairs Committee held at the City of Newport Beach Police Department Auditorium, 870 Santa Barbara Drive, on **Monday, March 16**, **2009**.

Members Present:

X	Nancy Gardner, Council Member	Χ	Barbara Thibault
Χ	Michael Henn, Council Member	Χ	Laura Curran
Χ	Kenneth Drellishak, Chair	Χ	Vincent Lepore
Χ	Kimberly Jameson	Χ	Kevin Nolen
Χ	Kevin Kelly	Χ	Arlene Greer
Х	Michael Pascale	Е	Sandra Haskell
Х	Michael Smith	Ε	Kristine Adams
Χ	Jeff Herdman	Ε	Timothy Stoaks
Е	Nick Roussos		
Χ	Joan Penfil	Е	Charles McKenna
Χ	Bruce Asper	Χ	Ray Halowski
Χ	Merritt Van Sant	Е	Michael Alti

Staff Representatives:

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Χ	Sharon Wood, Assistant City Manager	Lauren Kilbride
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Chairperson Ken Drellishak called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. New member Kevin Nolen introduced himself.

1. Minutes of February 23, 2009

Ray Halowski moved to approve the minutes of February 23, 2009, with a correction showing Joan Penfil as excused. Arlene Greer seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

2. Review of Marina Park Subcommittee assignments and questions

Chairperson Drellishak reviewed assignments and reminded members that comments are due to him by April 10.

3. Recommendation to City Council on leaf blower regulation

Chairperson Drellishak reviewed the report. Merritt Van Sant moved that this item be tabled for six months. Laura Curran seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

4. Report on additional smoking prohibitions

Chairperson Drellishak, Council Member Henn and Sharon Wood reported on the City Council study session on this topic, and the Council's direction for staff to draft an ordinance for Council consideration.

5. Appointment of subcommittee to review Banning Ranch Notice of Preparation and Draft Environmental Impact Report

Chairperson Drellishak stated he will ask Michael Alti, Kristine Adams and Charles McKenna to serve on the subcommittee to review the NOP. Members will be added when the DEIR is released for public review.

6. Task Force on Green Development Representative's Report

Council Member Gardner reported that subcommittees are reviewing draft CEQA Guidelines related to greenhouse gas impacts and the State Green Building Code.

7. Coastal/Bay Water Quality Committee Representative's Report

Council Members Gardner and Henn announced that Sage Hill School students are holding an Eco Fashion Show fundraising event.

8. Economic Development Committee Representative's Report

Chairperson Drellishak reported that the EDC agenda for March includes a discussion by the Daily Pilot.

9. Report from Staff on Current Projects

Sharon Wood reported that the Planning Department has 10 DEIRs in preparation, and EQAC will be busy through the rest of the year.

10. Public Comments

Arlene Greer and Kevin Kelly reported that the Green Building 101 program was a success. Laura Curran announced an Orange County Register contest on greening your house.

11. Future Agenda Items

April 20: Banning Ranch NOP and Marina Park DEIR

12. Adjournment

Chairperson Drellishak adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.